To Whom It May Concern:

I am an over the road truck driver, and I can not begin to express to you how much drivers benefit from having local information provided via satellite radio for traffic and weather in the larger metropolitan areas.

With the traffic and weather information provided to me via satellite radio before before I get to a large city I am able to take a detour around a large traffic jam. In doing so, XM is doing a service to the communities that it provides the information to by giving drivers the option to avoid an area or take a break and wait for the problem to disperse without adding to it.

If there is a bad accident in the middle of the I-285 loop in Atlanta, a driver can know before he or she gets there, and can avoid the area, thus the backup can be reduced to people that actually need to be there.

Also, having this information assists drivers in giving accurate Estimated times of arrival because we know what weather and traffic is like in an area before we get to the area. That assists businesses by knowing when to expect their products and materials to arrive.

I urge you to take into consideration that a large portion of XM subscribers are truck drivers like myself, and XM is providing a service to us that assists us not only in performing our jobs, but reducing the affects of traffic joms in larger cities.

Lastly, although still very importantly, XM also provides subscribers with a constant LED in the cab of our truck on the traffic and weather station for a local area with the vehicle description and license plate of the vehicle involved in an AMBER ALERT. A driver going down the road can safely glance at the LED display and see what model vehicle they are looking for, and can verify plates when they come across the specified make and model of vehicle.

Critics of the traffic and weather service will say that they provide the same information, however they can not provide the information coast to coast on a continuous basis. If this service alone helps save one child, I believe it to be more than worth any amount of loss of a local radio station.

Thank you for your time,

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